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SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF ALEXANDRU DUTU AS CULTURAL SPECIALIST

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1. ON BASIS OF INTERVIEW WITH DUTU AND FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH COUNCIL OF SOCIALIST CULTURE AND EDUCATION, EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO AMEND PROGRAMMING SUGGESTIONS AND CLARIFY OTHER POINTS IN REFTEL.

2. IN ADDITION TO MEETINGS WITH AMERICAN ACADEMIC SPECIALISTS IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AND U S CULTURE OUTLINED IN REFTEL, THE COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT DUTU BE SCHEDULED TO GIVE THREE OR FOUR LECTURES AT UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE OR FACULTY LEVEL DURING MONTH-LONG VISIT. EMBASSY SUPPORTS COUNCIL'S SUGGESTION AS MUCH MORE PRODUCTIVE USE OF IV GRANT AND NOMINEE'S TALENTS. IN FACT WE SEE GRANT MORE AS "SHORT-TERM LECTURER" THAN AS CULTURAL SPECIALIST, EVEN THOUGH FOR BUREAUCRATIC PURPOSES IT MUST STILL COME UNDER ART III-2 OF EXCHANGE PROGRAM BECAUSE OF COUNCIL IS SPONSORING AGENCY.

3. DUTU IS ALL BUT FLUENT IN ENGLISH AND CLEARLY AN ARTICULATE AND SOPHISTICATED EXPERT IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY, AS CAREFUL READING OF CURRICULUM VITAE AND PUBLICATIONS IN REFTEL WILL INDICATE. HE IS PREPARED TO LECTURE ON TWO SUBJECTS: THE FIRST, AS STATED IN PARA TWO OF REFTEL, ON "THE IDEA OF INDEPENDENCE IN AMERICAN CULTURE AND ROMANIAN CULTURE" (BICENTENNIAL-CENTENNIAL THEME); THE
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SECOND ON "EUROPEAN AND ORIENTAL INTELLECTUAL CURRENTS IN

MODERN ROMANIAN CULTURE" INSTEAD OF "ROMANIAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO WORLD CULTURE," WHICH DUTU REJECTS AS TOO PRETENTIOUS AND SELF-SERVING. THE SECOND LECTURE HAS ALREADY BEEN PREPARED FOR PUBLICATION IN ENGLISH IN ROMANIAN QUARTERLY "REVIEW OF SOUTHEAST EUROPEAN STUDIES" IN JAN 1977. BEST BETS FOR LECTURE INVITATIONS WOULD BE PITTSBURGH UNIVERSITY (PROF. SCHLACKS), WHICH HAS RECENTLY EXPANDED INTEREST IN BALKANS; ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, WHERE EX-FULBRIGHTER KEITH HITCHINS IS SURE TO WELCOME HIM; UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA (BLOOMINGTON), WHERE NOT ONLY PROFS. REMAK AND FRENZ BUT ESPECIALLY PROFS. CHARLES AND BARBARA JELAVICH SHOULD BE GLAD TO ARRANGE SOMETHING BECAUSE OF CIES CONNECTION; PROF. MALONE OF UCLA, WHO PARTICIPATED IN COMP LIT CONFERENCE ORGANIZED BY DUTU IN BUCHAREST IN SEPTEMBER 1974; PROF. FISCHER-GALATI AT COLORADO UNIVERSITY, IN BOULDER; PROF AUGEROT AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN SEATTLE; AND POSSIBLY AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IF PROF DEAK ISTVAN CAN SCHEDULE LECTURE AT INSTITUTE OF CENTRAL EUROPEAN STUDIES.

4. IN VIEW OF NEED TO SCHEDULE DUTU FOR LECTURES AFTER ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS, TIMING ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED IN REFTEL APPEARS MORE THAN EVER UNSUITABLE. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND, WITH DUTU AND COUNCIL CONCURRENCE, THAT HIS VISIT BE RESCHEDULED FOR MID-SEPTEMBER TO MID-OCTOBER.

5. OTHER VISITS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL TO INSTITUTIONS IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK CITY SHOULD BE RETAINED ON DUTU SCHEDULE BUT TEMPLE UNIVERSITY DROPPED. IF TIME PERMITS OR PRIORITY VISITS IN PARA THREE ABOVE DO NOT PAN OUT, DUTU WOULD LIKE TO VISIT YALE (PROF GEORGE MAY AS WELL AS PROF GAY) AND HARVARD. PROSPECTIVE HOSTS SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT THEIR VISITOR HAS PARTICULAR INTEREST IN MODERN INTELLECTUAL HISTORY (I.E. 16TH TO 19TH CENTURIES), RECENT AND PROPOSED PUBLICATIONS IN FIELD, AND HOW SUBJECT IS TAUGHT AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LEVEL.

6. EMBASSY BELIEVES DUTU IS SUPERIOR TYPE OF GRANTEE ALL TOO INFREQUENTLY NOMINATED BY ROMANIANS AND WORTH SPECIAL PROGRAMMING EFFORT. HIS PAST CONTRIBUTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE SHOULD MAKE HIM WELCOME ON MOST AMERICAN CAMPUSES..
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